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**FCC-Competition Policy Division** 

Ms. Marlene H. Dortch Secretary Federal Communications Commission The Portals 445 Twelfth Street S.W. Washington, D.C. 20554

Re: Section 63.71 Application of Cincinnati Bell Any Distance, LLC to Discontinue the Provision of Service.

Dear Ms. Dortch:

Cincinnati Bell Any Distance, LLC (CBAD) submits the enclosed Application for Authority under Section 214(a) of the Communications Act and Section 63.71 of the Commission's Rules to discontinue its Primary Rate Interface (PRI) service and Plain Old Telephone Service (POTS) provisioned over Cisco 5400 equipment. On or after January 31, 2014, subject to the Commission's authorization, CBAD will no longer offer its PRI service or POTS provisioned over Cisco 5400 equipment. Current customers have been notified of the change as of November 25, 2013.

Questions concerning this Transmittal should be directed to Mike Bishop at the above address, by phone at (513) 397-1231, or by fax at (513) 421-1367.

Respectfully submitted,

Patrick M. Crotty Corporate Counsel

#### Enclosure

Cc: Public Utilities Commission for Each Impacted State Governor of Each Impacted State Secretary of Defense, Attn: Special Assistant for Telecommunications Rodney McDonald, Esq.

### Before the **Federal Communications Commission** Washington, D.C. 20554

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In the Matter of	F	CC Mail Room
Section 63.71 Application of Cincinnati		
Bell Any Distance, LLC for )	WC Docket No.	
Authority Pursuant to Section 214 of the )		
Communications Act of 1934 to )	Comp. Pol. No.	
Discontinue the Provision of Service )		

### SECTION 63.71 APPLICATION OF CINCINNATI BELL ANY DISTANCE, LLC TO DISCONTINUE THE PROVISION OF SERVICE

Cincinnati Bell Any Distance, LLC (CBAD) hereby submits the Application for Authority under Section 214(a) of the Communications Act and Section 63.71 of the Commission's rules to withdraw its Primary Rate Interface (PRI) and Plain Old Telephone Service (POTS) provisioned over Cisco 5400 equipment.

As required by Sections 63.71(a) and (b) of the Commission's rules, CBAD provides the following information:

## 1. Name and Address of Carrier (47 C.F.R. §§ 63.71(a)(1), (b)(2)):

Cincinnati Bell Telephone Any Distance, LLC 221 East Fourth Street Cincinnati, Ohio 45202

## 2. Date of Planned Service Discontinuance (47 C.F.R. §§ 63.71(a)(2), (b)(2)):

Subject to the Commission's authorization to discontinue service pursuant to Section 63.71(c) of the Commission's rules, 47 C.F.R. §§ 63.71(c), the PRI service and POTS provisioned over Cisco 5400 equipment will no longer be offered, effective January 31, 2014.

### 3. Points of Geographic Areas of Service Affected (47 C.F.R. §§ 63.71(a)(3), (b)(2)):

The PRI service and POTS are provisioned over Cisco 5400 equipment network connectivity in Cincinnati, Ohio and Indianapolis, Indiana.

### 4. Brief Description of Type of Service Affected. (47 C.F.R. §§ 63.71(a)(4), (b)(2)):

PRI service is provisioned over Cisco 5400 equipment offers network voice and data transmission for customers in Cincinnati, Ohio and Indianapolis, Indiana. POTS offers residential dial tone service for customers in Cincinnati, Ohio and Indianapolis, Indiana. Customers with service provisioned on Cisco 5400 equipment have local service with CBAD, but are picked to another long distance carrier. There are currently less than 5 PRI Service customers and a small number of POTS customers affected. The customers currently with service provisioned over the Cisco 5400 equipment have the option of buying a like service from CBAD, or changing providers.

# 5. Brief Description of the Dates and Methods of Notice to all Affected Customers (47 C.F.R. §§ 63.71 (b)(3)):

CBAD notified its customers of the discontinuance of PRI service provisioned over Cisco 5400 equipment by letter sent via U.S. mail on November 25 2013. Copies of the customer notification letters are appended hereto as Attachment A. The letters inform affected customers that, with the required Commission approval, CBAD plans to discontinue the PRI service and POTS provisioned over Cisco 5400 equipment on or after January 31, 2014.

### 6. Regulatory Classification of Carrier (47 C.F.R. §§ 63.71 (b)(4)):

CBAD is considered non-dominant with respect to the service to be discontinued.

### Other Information (47 C.F.R. §§ 63.71 (b)(5)):

Copies of this Application are being sent via first class U. S. Mail to the Governors of Ohio and Indiana, the Public Utilities Commissions of Ohio and Indiana and the Special

Assistant for Telecommunications to the Secretary of Defense, as required by Section 63.71 (a) of the Commission's rules.

### CONCLUSION

CBAD Respectfully requests that the Commission approve this Application.

Respectfully Submitted,

By

Patrick M. Crotty

Corporate Counsel

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I Patrick M. Crotty, do hereby certify that I have on this 25<sup>th</sup> day of November, 2013, caused a copy of the foregoing "Section 63.71 Application of Cincinnati Bell Telephone Company, LLC to Discontinue the Provision of Service" to be served by U.S. mail upon the following:

Patrick M. Crotty

### SERVICE LIST

INDIANA
Jim Atterholt Chairman
Indiana Utility Regulatory
Commission
101 West Washington Street Suite
1500 E
Indianapolis, IN 46204

OHIO Todd Snitchler Chairman Public Utilities Commission of Ohio 180 East Broad Street Columbus, OH 43215-3793

Secretary of Defense Attn: Special Asst. for Telecommunications Pentagon Washington, DC 20301 The Honorable Mike Pence Office of the Governor 200 W. Washington St., Rm. 206, Indianapolis, IN 46204

The Honorable John Kasich Office of the Governor Riffe Center, 30th Floor 77 South High Street Columbus, OH 43215-6108

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221 East Fourth Street Suite 121-1025 Cincinnati, OH 45201

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Mr. CBAD Customer Cisco 5400 Services Customer Inc. 123 Service Ln. Indy, Indy 12345

Re: CBAD PRI and/or POTS Service Provisioned Over Cisco 5400 Equipment

Important Notice Regarding Discontinuance of PRI and/or POTS Services
Provisioned Over Cisco 5400 Equipment
provided by Cincinnati Bell Any Distance, Inc.

#### Dear CBAD Customer:

Please consider this letter to be our formal notice that, subject to the approval of the Federal Communications Commission ("FCC"), Cincinnati Bell Any Distance, Inc., ("CBAD") plans to discontinue its [Indianapolis, Indiana/Cincinnati, Ohio] area Primary Rate Interface ("PRI") and Plain Old Telephone Service ("POTS") provisioned over Cisco 5400 equipment on or after January 31, 2014. Accordingly, we will no longer be able to provide [CUSTOMER NAME] with PRI and/or POTS services provisioned over Cisco 5400 equipment under the terms of our [TITLE OF AGREEMENT] of [DATE OF AGREEMENT]. We regret that we can no longer provide you with this particular service, and would like to thank you for your business.

If you also subscribe to other services from Cincinnati Bell Any Distance, those services will NOT be impacted by the anticipated discontinuance of the CBAD PRI and/or POTS services provisioned over Cisco 5400 equipment. Your services will remain in place with no change to the applicable rates, terms, or conditions.

In order to maintain continuous service for your operations, you will need to begin migration of your service to another telecommunications service provider by January 31, 2014. Provided that the FCC approves the proposed discontinuance, if you have not made arrangements to replace CBAD with another telecommunications service

provider prior to January 31, 2014, please be advised that your service will be disconnected on January 31, 2014.

We sincerely regret any inconvenience this may cause you and your organization. Cincinnati Bell is dedicated to providing the finest business communications services and customer care available, allowing you to focus on your business. If you wish to contact me, please do so at the number or email provided below.

Sincerely,

Chris Breving
Director, Voice Network Operations
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# Cincinnati Bell Any Distance, Inc. is required by the FCC to provide the following statement:

The FCC will normally authorize this proposed discontinuance of service unless it is shown that customers would be unable to receive service or a reasonable substitute from another carrier or that the public convenience and necessity is otherwise adversely affected. Discontinuance of the CBAD PRI and/or POTS service provisioned over Cisco 5400 equipment will affect call termination services in Indianapolis, Indiana. If you wish to object, you should file your comments as soon as possible, but no later than 15 days after the Commission releases public notice of the proposed continuance. Address comments to the Federal Communications Commission, Wireline Competition Bureau, Competition Policy Division, Washington, DC 20554, and include in your comments a reference to the §63.71 Application of Cincinnati Bell Any Distance, Inc. Comments should include specific information about the impact of this proposed discontinuance upon you or your company, including any inability to acquire reasonable substitute service.